

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services conduct a study of Patuxent Institution; that the Secretary establish a policy statement for Patuxent Institution setting forth its mission, goals, and philosophy; that the study include an assessment of the current treatment programs to determine which programs are and are not working successfully; that the discussion of the merits of treatment programs include an evaluation of inmate treatment programs in institutions other than Patuxent Institution; that the study assess the appropriateness of the present population at Patuxent Institution and recommendations for any changes to this population; and that the study be submitted to the General Assembly by December 31, 1990.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services develop a standard set of criteria for both the Division of Correction and Patuxent Institution to use in determining and reporting recidivism rates.

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That before reinstituting the work release and leave programs at Patuxent Institution, the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services shall promptly review the status of each inmate eligible person who had work release or leave status before the programs were suspended to determine if the inmate eligible person is a threat to public safety.

SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That if any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid for any reason in a court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or any other application of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and for this purpose the provisions of this Act are declared severable.

SECTION -5- 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.

Approved March 20, 1989.

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